

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY REPORT

Missouri universities with graduate programs regularly assign teaching assistantships to international students. Missouri statute requires all graduate students who did not receive both their primary and secondary education in a nation or territory in which English is the primary language to be tested for their ability to communicate orally in English in a classroom setting. Institutions offer remedial language services to graduate teaching assistants if they are needed.

Public institutions are required to provide data every two years on the total number of graduate teaching assistants, as well as their native language, the procedures used in selection, and the orientation programs provided for all graduate teaching assistants. In addition to being tested for their proficiency in English, graduate students who have not previously lived in the United States and who are assigned to teaching positions are expected to receive a cultural orientation prior to assuming teaching responsibilities.

GTA English Language Proficiency Survey Results	Academic Year 2017	Academic Year 2018
1. Number of graduate teaching assistant applicants taking an English language proficiency test	805	596
2. Number of graduate teaching assistant applicants in Question #1 who have utilized any remedial language services that may be available	94	93
3. Number of graduate teaching assistant applicants in Question #1 taking an English language proficiency test who did not pass	153	62
4. Number of graduate teaching assistant applicants in Question #2 who received a graduate teaching assistantship	126	94
5. Total number of Teaching Assistantships awarded	2,639	2,402
6. Number of graduate teaching assistants awarded to students who did not receive both primary and secondary education in a nation or territory in which English is the primary language	678	653
7. Number of exceptions granted to graduate teaching assistants in Question #6 to receive a teaching assignment during their first semester of enrollment	25	36
8. Number of graduate teaching assistants in Question #6 who received a cultural orientation	430	416